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Project Completion Date: 30/09/2008

Project Description

The aim of the project is to assist local government with Natural Resource Management activities by providing supporting information, practical methodologies, and skilling sessions. The project will focus on a number of key NRM issues. Issues to be addressed will include road verge and reserve management, balancing planning with biodiversity conservation and recreational use of natural resources, and possibly catchment and water management. Slight variations may be implemented during the course of the project in conjunction with a NACC local government team and direct consultations with Local Government Authorities (LGAs).

This plan grew out of a project awarded to WA Landskills Inc which was originally on conservation and management of roadside vegetation and which was intended to involve both community and local government. In response to a request from NACC, the scope has been widened to include a broader range of issues.

In line with the original application, the initial phase of the project will focus on management actions for high value road verges across the region. This will support the protection of significant corridors of high biodiversity value and in the process will also increase cooperative actions between the community and shires. While the project will not specifically develop detailed roadside management plans such as those now required of local government authorities, it is intended that the project will assist shires in achieving these plans by developing guidelines and pro-forma processes. In conjunction, management of local government reserves will be supported, and training will be provided for local government personnel.

A key feature of the project will also be developing guidelines for future planning, incorporating environmental values. These activities will be developed in conjunction with the WA Department for Planning and Infrastructure, and in consultation with LGAs.

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